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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of Arms Control, Oceans and International
Environment Subcommittee, Senate Foreign Relations
Committee, 22 May 1978

25X1 1. ☐ On 22 May 1978, ☐ OSI,
25X1 ☐ ORPA, and ☐, CSS, briefed the
25X1 Arms Control, Oceans and International Environment Subcommittee
on the current ☐ nuclear program. A technical sweep was
made and monitoring was conducted during the briefing which
included material at the Secret level. A transcript was
taken.

25X1 2. ☐ Present from the Subcommittee were:

Claiborne Pell (D., R.I.), Chairman

John H. Glenn (D., Ohio)
Muriel B. Humphrey (D., Minn.)

Charles H. Percy (R., Ill.)

25X1 3. ☐ Present from the Subcommittee or Senator's staffs
were:

Norvill Jones, Chief of Staff

Roy Werner

Bill Ashworth

David Keaney

Connie Freeman

Barry Schochet, on the personnel staff of Senator

Richard B. Stone (D., Fla.)

Constance Evans, on the personnel staff of Senator

Charles H. Percy (R., Ill.)

25X1 4. ☐ Present from Senator Glenn's Subcommittee on Energy,
Nuclear Proliferation and Federal Services, Senate Governmental
Affairs Committee staff were:

Leonard Weiss, Staff Director

Leonard S. Spector

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25X1 5. [] was the principal briefer. He traced
25X1 the [] nuclear program up to the present time and offered
one estimate for the future. He went into detail on the
25X1 status of all of [] present nuclear reactors and facilities.
25X1 When questioned about possible [] intentions to misuse
nuclear materials for weapons purposes, he informed the
Subcommittee that we do not believe that [] has plans to
25X1 build a weapon.

25X1 6. [] Senator Glenn, who chaired the meeting after Senator
25X1 Claiborne Pell had to leave, asked how quickly we would know if
[] began to build a weapon in secret. [] replied
that the quality of our reporting from that area is not the
best. As a result, we have a fifty to seventy percent assurance
that we would discover such an effort within weeks or months.
Senator Glenn said he wished that we could give stronger assurance
that we would know about a weapon building effort and that we
would know about it sooner.

X1 7. [] There were no follow-ups to the briefing, which began
at 1530 and lasted until 1730.

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